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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Alessandro SETTE, *et al.*

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For: HLA BINDING PEPTIDES AND THEIR
USES

Examiner: M. DiBrino

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AMENDMENT / E

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed 25 October 2000 for which a response is due on 25 January 2001. A petition for an extension of time of three months until 25 April 2001 is attached hereto along with the required fee. All considered claims were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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